

Regular Meeting of the  
Board of Mayor and Council  
Ashland City, Tennessee  
September 14, 2010

The Board of Mayor and Council met in regular in regular session on September 14, 2010 at 7:15 p.m. in the Municipal Building.

Present and presiding: Mayor Gary Norwood.

Council present: Steve Allen, Jimmy Gill, Rick Johnson, Jim Yates and Chris LaCrosse.

Others present: Brannon Goodwin, Alison Smith, Burt Adcock, Raymond Barnes, Jim Brown, Brian Gruber, Ginger Hufnagel, Bryan Lewis, Zach McCarver, Jim Steele, Darrell White, Bassem M. Amin, Amir H. Abaskhron, Valerie Dreier, Jackson Kemp, Mary Grey Jenkins, Steven Sellars, Michael Osman, Kenneth Hudson, Kenny Crowson, Colby Timmerman, P.J. Wiseman, Rachel Bragg, Steven Ellis, Mike Groves, Chris Fudge, John Poss, Bill Bragg, Derek Noe, Thomas McCormick, Michael Armstrong, Tony Young, Jennifer Noe, Sue Stevens, Tim Adkins, C.J. Edrington, Greg Edrington, Marc Coulon, Chuck Walker, Anita Justice, and Phyllis Schaeffer.

Mayor Norwood advised before we start the regular council meeting we have a public hearing on several ordinances. Ordinance #371 – water rates. Any one that wants a copy of any of the ordinances please see Phyllis. Mayor asked if anyone has any comments or concerns to approach now was the time to do so. There being no one to approach Mayor went on to Ordinance #372 – Amended flood plain ordinance. If there are any that want to approach with concerns now is the time to do so. There being no concerns Mayor Norwood went on to Ordinance #373 – Budget amendment. Again, Mayor asked if anyone had any concerns now was the time to approach. There being no comments the Mayor closed the public hearing and commenced with the regular Council meeting.

A motion was made by Johnson, seconded by LaCrosse, to approve the August minutes as typed. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Public Forum: Mayor asked if there was anyone that wanted to come forward with any concerns or comments. There was not anyone that wanted to come forward.

Old Business:

A motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Yates, to approve Ordinance #371 – water rates- on 2<sup>nd</sup> reading. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: Johnson-yes, Yates-yes, LaCrosse-yes, Allen-yes, Gill-yes, and Mayor-yes.

A motion was made by Yates, seconded by Allen, to approve Ordinance #372 – Amended Flood Plain ordinance – on 2<sup>nd</sup> reading. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: Yates-yes, Allen-yes, Gill-yes, LaCrosse-yes, Johnson-yes, and Mayor-yes.

A motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Gill, to approve Ordinance #373 – Budget amendment 09/10 fiscal year – on 2<sup>nd</sup> reading. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: Johnson-yes, Gill-yes, Allen-yes, LaCrosse-yes, Yates-yes, and Mayor-yes.

#### New Business:

Mayor Norwood said we have volunteer appreciation on the agenda. In the dept. head meeting we wanted to do something for the volunteers. Due to the flood as far as the city this has been the most devastating except maybe the Ice Storm that we have gone through and are still dealing with. There has been so much that has taken place and the damage that has been sustained. Ashland City has always had good people but he would like to recognize some great people. He would like to recognize these people that have gone above and beyond the call they are the leaders. For the Mayor personally he always tries to take something away from people that inspire him, these people have made a difference in someone's life. Mayor asked if the Council would come down and help hand out the certificates to these great people. The Mayor and Council then handed out the certificates to all the volunteers. Mayor said he did not want to forget the dept. heads. A round of applause was given to all.

Mayor said Captain Steele with Blue Heron Cruises has his boat down at Riverbluff Park he is here if the Council has any concerns or questions with what he is doing. Captain Steele said he usually parks over on the other side of the river but the dock is down and he is just trying to stay in business. If he can stay at the park until Walt gets up and running that would be great he would rather be at the park. Mr. LaCrosse said he has given this a lot of thought and he would love to be able to help him stay in business but also they need to be careful of city policy that they are not really setting a precedent but just some way to help him during this time. Mr. LaCrosse said he would turn to our counsel. Ms. Noe said she thought it would be a good idea to do a temporary contract to cover the city. Just something temporary for his protection as well as ours during this time we've had to do things we normally don't do as long as it is temporary. After much discussion, a motion was made by LaCrosse, seconded by Yates, to allow the city attorney to draw up something for Captain Steele to stay contingent on a temporary basis. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

A motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Gill, to approve Ordinance #374 – amending Ordinance #179 adding a section 5.052.1 – on 1<sup>st</sup> reading. Mayor said we had to have an ordinance to accommodate auctions and consignment sales. They had struggled with this trying to get the right verbage. Mr. LaCrosse said he thought they had put something in there about sound. Mayor said yes. Mr. LaCrosse said he didn't see it. Ms. Noe said we probably do need to address it. Mr. Armstrong will look into this.

Resolution 2010-05. Ms. Noe said they had completed this 2 days before the flood. We requested the Urban Growth Plan to include Hidden Lakes, some property on Hwy 12 and a couple of these are down by the Cumberland River. After some discussion, a motion was made by Yates, seconded by Gill, to approve Resolution 2010-05. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

The next item to discuss is the Red Cross agreement. A motion was made by LaCrosse, seconded by Johnson, to approve the Red Cross Agreement. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Ms. Noe said that we had met with Kyle Jackson at the raw water intake bldg and he said that the insurance company takes the lowest floor of the building to quote the cost, which the bottom floor of the building is 4 feet below the BFE. The cost of the building is not the expense but the electrical equipment inside it is covered because it is attached to the building. However, because the building is below the BFE the quote is 27-29,000 a year. Mr. Edrington said he would like to get with hazard mitigation on this building and see if they can't get the floor raised above the BFE. After a discussion a motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Yates, to go with the \$5,000 deductible at the public works

building and \$5,000 deductible at the sewer plant for both buildings. Ms. Noe said this quote is for each building. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: Johnson-yes, Yates-yes, Allen-yes, LaCrosse-yes, Gill-yes, and Mayor-yes.

The next item of business is the Corp of Engineer Flood Control Study letter. Mayor said the corp had a discussion with Mayor Bill Orange and this study is something that the CORP would do. He has spoken with Jennifer on this and using the expertise of Stantec then we would have to be reimbursed by FEMA; for the most part this is for the area around the Bypass if you are really serious about this you would need to go from area of Hibiscus to Hwy 49. Ms. Noe said this letter does not commit us to any money this is just to see if they would be interested in coming to our community. Recommends not limiting it to a business we have a good mix. If Council approves changing the letter to states that we have a mix of residential and business that might help. Mr. Edrington said this would be a valuable tool. After some discussion a motion was made by Yates, seconded by Allen, to approve this letter of intent with the CORP beginning from Hwy 12S to Hwy 49 at the Bypass. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

A motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Gill, to approve the job description for the Director of the Senior Center. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: Johnson-yes, Gill-yes, Allen-yes, Yates-yes, LaCrosse-yes, and Mayor-yes.

A motion was made by Yates, seconded by Gill, to approve the BD&Y Environmental Consultants invoice in the amount of \$2,083.35 Motion passed with a roll call vote of: Yates-yes, Gill-yes, Allen-yes, LaCrosse-yes, Johnson-yes, and Mayor-yes.

A motion was made by LaCrosse, seconded by Gill, to approve the Goodwyn, Mills & Cawood invoice in the amount of \$3,878. Mr. Edrington said he would like to get an agreement with set prices and present that next month. Mayor asked if he could come to the budget meeting on the 19<sup>th</sup> of October at 6:00 p.m. to address it with the budget committee. Mr. Edrington replied yes. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: LaCrosse-yes, Gill-yes, Allen-yes, Johnson-yes, Yates-yes and Mayor-yes.

Other:

Mayor said he wanted the Council to know that Chuck had given the Governors Award for Homeland Security for District 7.

Also, Mayor said as far as the vacant seat they had tentatively set the date for next Tuesday since we have budget issues too he asked if we could have the budget meeting from 6-7 then have from 7-8:30pm to interview in 30 minute increments and have them present individually then at 8:30 they all would come back together. If that is acceptable who do you want to go first? Mr. Johnson replied as far as he was concerned to draw names from the hat to see who goes first and have them attend individually. Mayor said if there are no objections that will be how it is handled.

Mr. McCormick said he needed to ask permission to replace a damaged Watson & Marlow chemical pump. They are a sole source provider. A motion was made by Gill, seconded by Allen, to fund the Watson & Marlow pump. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: Gill-yes, Allen-yes, LaCrosse-yes, Yates-yes, Johnson-yes, and Mayor-yes.

A motion was made by Gill, seconded by Johnson, to pay the bills. Motion passed with a roll call vote of Gill-yes, Johnson-yes, Yates-yes, LaCrosse-yes, Allen-yes, and Mayor-yes.

Ms. Noe said she just wanted to advise real quickly that the 911 Board met last night and are going to use 108 ½ Gloria Circle as Council requested.

A motion was made by Johnson, seconded Yates to adjourn, Motion passed unanimously by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

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Gary Norwood, Mayor

Phyllis Schaeffer, City Recorder